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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - CIVIL AIRLINE OPERATIONS AT  
MILDENHALL AFB IN UK

1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM  
THE DEPT. OF TRADE:

BEGIN QUOTE: AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN RENEWING ON A  
REGULAR BASIS THE TEMPORARY OPERATING PERMISSIONS  
GRANTED TO TWA, PAN AM AND SEABOARD FOR OPERATIONS AT  
MILDENHALL AS PART OF THEIR SCHEDULED SERVICES TO AND  
FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM. THE AIRLINES CURRENTLY HAVE  
PERMISSION FOR THESE OPERATIONS UNTIL 31 JANUARY 1976  
(MR. PAYNE'S LETTER OF 22 OCTOBER 1975 REFERS).

WE ARE INFORMED THAT NONE OF THESE AIRLINES HAS  
OPERATED TO MILDENHALL UNDER THE TERMS OF THESE PERMITS  
SINCE 1969. IN VIEW OF THIS IT SEEMS POINTLESS TO CON-  
TINUE RENEWING THESE PERMITS REGULARLY; IT WOULD BE  
ADMINISTRATIVELY SIMPLER TO CONSIDER THE GRANT OF AD  
HOC PERMISSION ON ANY FUTURE OCCASION WHEN THE AIRLINES  
NEED SUCH OPERATING AUTHORITY. WE DO NOT THEREFORE  
PROPOSE TO RENEW THE TEMPORARY OPERATING PERMISSIONS  
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AFTER 31 JANUARY 1976 BUT WILL BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER

APPLICATIONS DIRECT FROM ANY OF THE ABOVE NAMED AIRLINES FOR PERMISSION TO TAKE ON BOARD OR DISCHARGE PASSENGERS OR CARGO (INCLUDING MAIL) AT MILDENHALL AS AN ADDITION TO THEIR SCHEDULED SERVICES. END QUOTE.

2. IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT THAT THE PERMITS IN QUESTION GIVE AUTHORITY FOR OPERATIONS TO MILDENHALL ONLY AS SECTORS OF SCHEDULED SERVICES. IF THE AIRLINES WISH TO OPERATE MILITARY CHARTER FLIGHTS TO MILDENHALL THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO APPLY TO THE DEPT. OF TRADE FOR PERMISSION.

3. WE HAVE SENT COPIES OF DEPT. OF TRADE LETTER TO LONDON REPS OF THE THREE U.S. AIRLINES AND DISCUSSED CONTENTS WITH EACH OF THEM. IT WAS EVIDENT FROM THEIR REACTION THAT IT HAS BEEN SOME TIME SINCE ANY HAD OPERATED A SCHEDULED SERVICE STOP AT MILDENHALL ALTHOUGH MILITARY CHARTER FLIGHTS ARE FREQUENT. ONE AIRLINE INDICATED IT HAD MISTAKENLY CONSTRUED TEMPORARY OPERATING PERMIT AS BLANKET AUTHORIZATION FOR MILITARY CHARTERS AND CONSEQUENTLY HAD BEEN OPERATING THESE FLIGHTS WITHOUT REQUIRED APPROVAL. (DEPT. OF TRADE OBVIOUSLY UNAWARE OF THIS.)

4. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST DEPARTMENT CHECK WITH HQ OF AIRLINES INVOLVED TO SEE IF THERE ANY REASON TO ASK UK AUTHORITIES TO CONTINUE REGULAR RENEWAL OF TEMPORARY OPERATING PERMITS FOR MILDENHALL.

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